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STAKE CONFERENCE DRAWS BIG CROWD

Another successful quarterly conference, bringing hope, courage and joy to the members of the San Francisco Stake was held January 21 in the Oakland Stake Chapel under the direction of Elder David O. McKay of the Council of the Twelve Apostles, representing the general authorities. The meetings were conducted by President W. Aird Macdonald.

As this was a priesthood conference, members reprsenting the various quorums of the priesthood spoke on assigned topics. Their talks were well prepared and were delivered in a humble spirit and informed and edified the large assembly on important duties of the priesthood which they represented.

Inspirational talks were given by Elder J. Edward Johnson and Elder Eugene Hilton of the Stake Presidency, in which they both bore their testimonies as to their increased joy in the work of the Lord and His blessings to them.

Elder Hugh Anderson, the new clerk who recently succeeded Elder Reed Gardner, who so faithfully discharged the duties of that important office since the birth of the Stake, greeted the assembly and was sustained in his new office.

It was with much joy that the members of the Stake welcomed home Elder Stanley Carr, son of the Stake Mission President, who has just returned from the Eastern States Mission where he served with honor and distinction as a district president. He bore a sincere testimony of the Gospel. Sister Fern Bagley, also a returned missionary, bore her testimony.

In a most touching and demonstrative manner Elder David O. McKay spoke on the law of tithing at the morning session. He especially directed his talk at that session to the children who were present. Probably a demonstration which was made at that time will long linger in the memories of those present, on the duty we owe to our Heavenly Father through the payment of our debts to Him. His wonderful talks given in the afternoon and evening session wherein he stressed several of the parables of the Savior lifted the Saints up in their faith and gave them renewed strength to face the future.

A session was held in San Francisco Sunday night and also a Priesthood session in Oakland under the direction of President J. Edward Johnson and President Eugene Hilton. Reports were given by Brother Tunis M. Kranenberg, secretary of the High Priests Quorum, Brother Henry E. Thomson, president of the High Priests, and Elder Howard McDonald of the High Council, who spoke on the activity of the lesser Priesthood quorums in the stake for the past year.

Soloists for the sessions were Mrs. Carrie Moses, Mrs. Charlotte Walton, Miss Ruth Bergman, a male chorus, the Oakland choir, under the direction of Mrs. Mary Rex, with Mrs. Nelle Macdonald at the organ, and the West Bay choir, under the direction of Mr. Vern I. Terry, with Mrs. Alex Edgar at the piano. The boys chorus were the Berkeley Ward, consisting of teachers and deacon quorums rendered a beautiful song, which was directed by Bishop P. W. Dunyon and Mrs. Carrie Moses.

"A MORMON SAGA"

Episode 1, first in a series of radio plays about early Mormon life, will be presented over the Stake broadcast over KTAB Sunday, Feb. 11. Written and directed by Miss Faye Ollerton, the play has its setting in Ireland in 1840. The players: Dee Glines, Bernice Anderson, Laura Farnsworth, Clark Bonner, Richard McTate and Reed S. Harris.

What My Faith Means To Me

By ELDER DAVID O. McKAY
Of the Council of the Twelve

In the Gospel plan, human life is divided into three periods, or existences: the pre-existent state, the mortal, and the after-mortal state. My faith to me, is the true philosophy of these three stages of being. It explains the past, guides the present, unveils the future.

My faith gives me an assurance that God is indeed my Father, and that, therefore, I must have inherited His immortality. This explanation of my beginning is an anchor to my soul amidst the unsettled theories given in attempted explanations of the origin of man.

So far as man's ante-mortal state is concerned, I rejoice in the revealed truth that man was in the beginning with the Father.

My faith means an unfailing guide through this present existence; a final solution of life's perplexing problems. It teaches me that only through individual effort may true success and happiness be obtained. There is no blessing based on another's excellencey. Everyone must work out his own salvation. Life is a garden in which each person gathers fruit and flowers from the seed he plants. An abundant harvest is the result only of pains-taking, intelligent effort.

The Gospel includes all the conditions necessary for the physical, intellectual, moral and spiritual development of human life. Obedience to the Gospel means merely compliance with the laws of health and happiness. It means keeping the body pure and the spirit attuned with the infinite.

Man's dearest possession is his family. In the divine assurance that family ties may transcend the boundaries of death, and continue throughout eternity, I find supreme consolation and inspiration. When the union of loved ones bears the seal of the Holy Priesthood it is as eternal as love, as everlasting as spirit.

105TH STAKE ORGANIZED

The 105th Stake of Zion was organized recently when the Grant Stake, in Salt Lake City, was divided, and the Wells Stake organized by the General authorities. Thomas E. Towler, formerly Bishop of the Whittier Ward, was named president, with Silas L. Day and Hemming C. Mortensen, counselors, and Neils Sandberg, Jr., former Bishop of Belvedere Ward, as stake clerk.

The wards of the new stake are: Belvedere, Burton, Wells, Jefferson, McKinley, Waterloo and Whittier.

Zion is growing!

WEDDING BELLS

Miss Gladys Webster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Webster of Salt Lake City, arrived in Berkeley recently to become the bride of Joseph A. Checketts early this month.

The groom-to-be, formerly secretary of the British Mission, has been employed at the Federal Land Bank of Berkeley for the past several months. Welcome and congratulations!

PRESIDENT GRANT IN EAST

President Heber J. Grant is in Washington, D. C., for a conference with President J. Reuben Clark, who has just returned from South America, where he was an American delegate to the Pan-American conference. President Grant also conferred with President Don B. Colton of the Eastern States Mission, on general church matters in the East.

MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

Commemorating the second anniversary of the organization of the Stake Mission, a conference will be held in Oakland Chapel, Saturday, Feb. 17. The first session will be held at 2 p.m., announces President Chas. C. Carr, and will be a missionary priesthood meeting. A luncheon will be served following the meeting and then the evening will be devoted to recreational events. All Stake officers and Bishoprics are cordially invited to attend. Seventy-nine missionaries are now laboring in the Stake Mission and a splendid work is being accomplished. Twenty thousand Gospel pamphlets were distributed and 41 converts baptized.

HONOR STUDENT

Miss Nancy Judson, a student of the Glen Park School of San Francisco, has received the American Legion Award for the year 1933.

This award, a bronze metal and scholl, is made each year to one girl and one boy of the grade schools of San Francisco in recognition of the highest qualifications for scholarship, leadership, character, etc.

Nancy is a member of the Balboa Ward, a product of the Primary and Sunday School. She has been acting as Primary play leader and is also a member of the Bee-Hive group in Mutual.

(The following editorial was printed last month in newspapers throughout the United States.—Editor's Note.)

SUCCESS GOES WITH POWER

Brigham Young was a powerful American in his prime, and in his last years. Nobody ever took his power from him.

The world has been taught to laugh at this old pioneer, Brigham Young. Pictures have been printed of Brigham Young's "Hundred Wives"—a number which he never had—all sleeping in one room—which is preposterous and not interesting.

Solomon is said to have had a thousand wives, of all shades of color, and yet we praise him for his wisdom.

Brigham Young proved that success, which he had in great measure, goes always with power. Look at pictures of his face, the jaw, the mouth firmly set, the wide, high forehead, and you see what it was that enabled the Mormons to survive against murderous Indians and conquer a distant country far from the "civilized east," marking out trails that exist even now to the edge of the Pacific Ocean.

Power and success are brother and sister. There are many kinds of power. There is the strength that comes from sheer will power. You see much of that in this face of Brigham Young. There is the strength that comes from thinking power. You see that in the face of a great scientist or a great friend of humanity, one who could not possibly have overcome the difficulties that Brigham Young surmounted, but ahead of Brigham Young in other respects.

The thing is for each of us to develop the power that he has.

Will power can be increased and strengthened; for, as Samuel Johnson truly says, "the will is free," and with it we can control ourselves, which is the beginning of all power and success.

Physical strength and capacity for endurance can be increased by wise living. Independence of others, mastery of ourselves, can be achieved by wise and reasonable economy, providing against the future.

There are many kinds of power in the world. Brigham Young represents one kind.

HIGH COUNCIL

Members of the Stake High Council will be speakers at the regular Sacrament services, Sunday, February 18, in the following wards: Hayward, Martinez, Mission, Oakland, Richmond and San Francisco. Stake missionaries will be the visiting speakers in the other wards and branches.

NOTICE

All copy for The Messenger should be in the hands of the editor not later than the Tuesday immediately preceding Fast Sunday. Otherwise it will be too late to be printed, as has been the case several times recently. Please write the copy with a typewriter or in a clear hand on one side of the paper only.

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple."—Mal. 3:1.

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FAITH

Faith is the world's paramount need. It is God's rare gift, gained through testimonies and the Spirit of Truth. It is not mere passive belief but is of the heart and causes an abandonment of evil. It adds eternal values to life's experiences and makes truth more profitable to mankind. Sorrow, anxiety, countless forebodings, and dreadful anticipations are avoided through it. It strikes down doubt; lightens heavy laden hearts, electrifies darkened visions, and illuminates the soul. If one could gain the world, without faith, life would be wasted.

Faith is a pearl of great price. It is the world's first great governing principle with power over all things, by which "they exist, by it they are upheld, by it they are changed, or by it they remain agreeable to the will of God." Without faith there can be no power or authority; there could be no spiritual or temporal creation; no principle of the gospel; is "The substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen," the "assurance which men have of things which they have not seen." It is spiritual force which operates by direction upon both grosser and spiritual elements; is the exercise of mental power, and is the moving cause of all action, moving to exertion. It is the beginning of righteousness; the stepping stone leading to God. It is to believe in God with force and energy. It is an activator that assures with a conviction that accelerates and impels to action. It is an absolving, saving power that leads to God, inspiring voluntary humility and repentance.

Abraham believed God, obeyed and went out, knowing not where, and "it was accounted unto him for righteousness." By faith Moses, fearing not the king nor any man, fled Egypt and "saw God face to face." Through faith the walls of Jerico fell; kingdoms were subdued; the earth trembled; Enoch was translated; the sick are healed; the just are preserved and sanctified, and become the children of light; the mysteries of God are revealed, and Holy Ghost is made manifest, but as to the unbelieving the "wrath of God abideth on him," with desolation the compensation, for he shall die in his sins, but whoso believeth in Christ, doubting nothing, whatsoever he shall ask the Father in the name of Christ it shall be granted him, and this promise is unto all even unto the ends of the earth."

The Lord works with men, and they receive of him, according to their faith, rather than according to formal petitions. It has and always shall be so. It is a law of the earth. If men had sufficient faith, whatsoever is expedient they could have. Of this the scriptures bear witness, but he who believes in the Son has an additional witness within himself. To him the Lord's hand is not waxed short, nor does he doubt nor fear that the Lord, the creator of all things, is incompetent or unwilling to correct occurring disorders. His hope is unblinded by current abracadabra or by conventionalities. It rests secure in the Lord's might. To him, nothing is too hard for the Lord. "The hour of danger is the hour of courage." His faith supplies the courage. Like a sturdy ship, with sails set, he plows the waves, fearing not the storm. He knows that God is with him, with power and might, and that divine aid will fortify his every just cause, if with full obedience he fears none but God, and if in faith he waits and watches for the salvation of the Lord.

(Ward Teachers' Topic for February, by Oscar W. McConkie.)

AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

RELIEF SOCIETY

The Relief Society will serve the Community Chest dinner on March 2 at Scottish Rite Temple. Many of our members too are being enrolled to assist in the drive for Chest funds.

At Union meeting February 11, there will be a department for all ward secretaries.

Ruth R. Shurtleff, Stake secretary, announces the following items from our annual report: We have 13 organizations. Total enrollment, 520 for '33, 481 for '32. Average attendance at ward meetings, 218 for '33, 198 for '32.

Our visiting teachers have made 383 more visits in '33 then in '32. December, 1933, records our high mark for teaching work. Nine wards scored 100 per cent, viz., Alameda, Balboa, Berkeley, Burlingame, Mission, Pittsburg, Richmond, San Francisco, and Sunset.

There have been 649 more visits to sick reported in '33 than in '32.

Ninety-one visits by Stake officers to wards.

Sixty-one ward executive and special officers have attended each union meeting (on the average) during the year.

Our magazines are fewer and so are the dollars handled in '33 as compared with the previous year.

Magazines taken Jan. 1, '33, 367.
Magazines taken Jan. 1, '34, 364.
Received for charity, '33, $558.28.
Received for charity, '32, $890.68.
Paid out for charity, '33, $748.71.
Paid out for charity, '32, $773.96.
Families helped during '33, 130.
Families helped during '32, 147.

Consider the total enrollment of 520 with the charity donation of $558.28, makes about $1.07 per enrolled member during the entire year. Perhaps each one of us will be able to do a little more during the new year.

Mrs. Shurtleff wishes to acknowledge the splendid way some ward reports came in. Four were absolutely perfect and sent in on time; six had only minor errors.

Everybody!—don't forget choral practice—1 o'clock p. m. of union meeting day.

PRIMARY

One of our popular board members, Miss Elsie Cherrington, has changed her name to Mrs. Elsie Brown. The marriage took place in the Arizona Temple during the recent pilgrimage there. The Primary Board and Ward Primary officers and teachers join in wishing her joy and success.

A luncheon was given in honor of Mrs. Brown. It was held at the home of Superintendent Minnie Alice Hicken. Members of the Stake Board were in attendance and presented the honor guest with a bridge lamp.

Two new members have been added to the Primary Board. Sister Dean White of Balboa Ward will have charge of the Zion's Boys and Zion's Girls, and Sister Jencurcive J. Garner of Dimond Ward will have charge of the Trail Builder work. We welcome these two sisters to our ranks.

Mrs. Sarah Summerhays has gone to Utah for a vacation. She will visit her mother, Mrs. Le Roy Dixon of Provo.

Mrs. Gladys R. Winters was hostess at a luncheon recently. Her guests were the members of the Stake Board. Following luncheon the entire board visited the Mission Ward Primary.

All of the wards in the Stake, excepting Burlingame, have held their Primary conferences. Splendid programs have been given by the children. The theme of the conferences was "Faith." Ward officers and teachers are to be commended for their efforts.

The Primary officers of the various wards were entertained at a social recently. Members of the Stake Board were the hostesses. Program, games and refreshments were enjoyed.

Wards of the East Bay will hold a play on February 17 at the Oakland Chapel. Play day for members of the West Bay will be held in San Francisco Amusement Hall on February 26.

HARMONS VISITED BY STORK

Often Attorney W. Glenn Harmon, our Stake M. I. A. Superintendent, has impatiently paced back and forth in a court house corridor awaiting a jury's verdict. But never has he paced more anxiously than he did recently in the Alta Bates Hospital hallways while awaiting Mr. Stork's verdict of whether he was the father of a first son or of a third daughter. As usual, the verdict was in his favor.

With pardonable, Cantor-like pride, he stated his version of the "blessed event" in a detailed manner which for the sake of brevity is summed up as follows:

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10. Improves With Age.

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News from Wards

SAN FRANCISCO

Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Miller were the recipients of a surprise party given by officers of the M. I. A., the occasion being a farewell party. They have moved to San Diego where Mr. Miller has been transferred with his company. Mrs. Miller was formerly Miss Emma Lee Somsen.

Mrs. Monte M. Copen underwent an operation but is now at home speedily recovering.

At an informal family dinner the engagement of Miss Laura Farnsworth and Mr. Lynden Player was announced. The marriage will take place in the spring.

One of the big events of the month was the marriage of Miss Agnes Gilchrist to Mr. Olaf Birkland. A reception was held following the ceremony, at which many guests were invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hoeft are once more proud grandparents. Their daughter, Mrs. Ben. Roberts, the former Miss Naomi Hoeft, presented them with a granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Griffin H. Marshall are rejoicing over the birth of a son.

The following San Francisco Ward members went to Arizona on the Temple excursion: President Melvin A. Allred, Hugh A. Jones, Mrs. P. A. Eskelsen, Miss Esther Eskelsen, Mrs. Wilford T. Webb, Mrs. Clara L. McAuley, Mrs. Serena Farnsworth, Miss Marie Piepgrass, Mrs. Caroline B. Ranck, Mrs. Tracy Y. Naylor, Mrs. Rasmine Jensen, Mr. Permussa Utu, Mrs. Fred Hoeft, Mrs. Olive Hayes.

Many New Year parties were given by members of the Ward. Mr. and Mrs. Golden K. Driggs entertained at a midnight supper. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Claude T. Lindsey, Miss Ame MacDonald, Miss Jean MacDonald, Mrs. Grant Strebel and Mr. Theodore R. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Reed McLain Helm entertained about thirty guests at a New Year's eve party in the McLain studio.

Mrs. Edith D. Stiles is enjoying the visit of her father, Mr. Joseph Stiles, of Salt Lake City, who is here spending a short time with them.

Miss Fannie Stookey of Salt Lake spent the holidays with her brother, Dr. and Mrs. L. J. Stookey.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Farnsworth have moved to San Bruno.

A most successful Ward reunion and conference was held the January 27 and 28 by the San Francisco Ward. Saturday night supper was served to about two hundred and fifty people, after which a program and dance was enjoyed. Sunday at the conference sessions were present the entire Stake Presidency, President W. Aird Macdonald, J. Edward Johnson, and Eugene Hilton, and Stake Clerk Hugh Anderson. Excellent musical numbers were arranged by the M. I. A. music department under the direction of Mrs. Oral Stohl, with Mrs. Reed H. Vetterli at the piano. Mrs. Sarah H. Carruth, Miss Eloise Sims of the Relief Society and M. I. A. were present. Also Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Romney of Salt Lake and Patriarch Hickenlooper of Blackfoot, Idaho, were present.

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of the following people please communicate with Bishop Nalder:

Robert Newell Smith, formerly Logan Tenth Ward.
Wayne B., Lillian L. and LaVern Brown, formerly of Mission Ward.
Verna June Hill Brown.
Franklin C. Andrews, Sunset Ward.
Reuben C., Nellie, Marva, Reuben, Myrtle McBride, Berkeley Ward.
Maurine E. W. Howard, Tenth Ward, Liberty Stake.
Helen H. Williams, Bountiful, First Ward.
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Of special interest to Utahns is the organization of another camp of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers which was organized January 25 at the home of Mrs. Alta K. Hammer, president of the San Francisco County Company, with the assistance of Vice-President Mrs. Clarissa Mahoney. Mrs. Mary Harrison was elected president of the camp with Mrs. Serena B. Farnsworth and Mrs. Lillias Fahnlander as assistants, and Mrs. Lois Munger as recording secretary. Delicious refreshments were served.

Mrs. Elizabeth Poyser, a convert to the Church thirty-five years ago, passed away during the past week at the age of 75 years. She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Gladys Henderson of Houston, Texas. She will be remembered by many of the old members of the San Francisco Ward.

MISSION

The Bishopric and members have received a fine letter from Elder Herbert T. Edgar, who is doing a fine work in the Pontefract Branch of the Sheffield Conference.

The Junior Girls of the Mission Ward had a candy sale Monday night. Betty Merrill, the teacher, stated that the sale was a huge success. The money which was taken in enabled the girl to go to the Junior Girl banquet Friday night.

Betty Merrill entertained at a party for the Junior Girls Friday, January 26. Among those present were Florence Mecham, Lola Earnshaw, Jeanne Nelson, Pat Dotterrer, Vivian Day, Mervil Clement, Virginia Houchins and Louise Merrill. Games and dancing were enjoyed. One of the outstanding dances was the Apache Dance, danced by Louise Merrill and Pat Dotterrer.

Sunday night was an important milestone in the development of the Primary in the Mission Ward. The Mission Ward Primary Conference was one of the best among excellent Primary conferences in the Mission Ward. It showed careful planning on the part of Myra Matheson, the president, and her able counselors and teachers. Sister Winters, a counselor of the Stake Primary, stated in her address to the children that it was the best Primary conference in the Stake. Bouquets of flowers were given to Bishop Merrill and Sister Winters and corsages to all teachers and Stake Board members present. Sister White of the Stake Board, Sister Vincent, also of the Stake Board, were in attendance.

Mission basketball team won the first game of the season on the 25th, beating San Francisco Ward 31 to 15. The boys are out to win this year.

The Mission and San Francisco M. Men sponsored a successful dance on the 19th of January. We should have more of these parties.

February 4, 7:30 p. m., Conjoint. A fine program has been arranged, including a reading. The slogan will be emphasized by Miss Elizabeth Thompson, the main speaker, will be Reed Veterlie of the Department of Justice. All invited.

February 11. Sacrament meeting. Sister Fern Bagley (Oakland), recently returned from a mission in the East, and Bromwell Cox of Dimond, will be the speakers.

Paul Dana will address the public speaking class February 5, at M. I. A. All invited.

Brother J. C. Earnshaw is still seriously sick in the hospital, as is also Sister Bateman.

Sister Gay is here from Provo, and Brother Roy Murdock from Ogden.

Marriages

GILCHRIST-BIRKLAND—Agnes Gilchrist and Olaf Birkland, San Francisco Ward.

Births

SON—To W. Glenn and Mrs. Beth Harmon, Jan. 13.
DAUGHTER—To Ben and Mrs. Naomi Hoeft Roberts.
SON—To Mr. and Mrs. Griffin H. Marshall.

Deaths

POYSER—Mrs. Elizabeth Poyser.

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SUNSET

Recent baptisms: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Ray, Mrs. Ethel Gianinni and son, Bernard D.; George C. Lindenan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Lindenan; Wm. Yates Farnsworth, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Y. Farnsworth.

Officers' and teachers' monthly meetings of all auxiliary organzations are now being held on the Monday following the third Sunday of each month, and those holding office in the ward are urged to attend. The meetings are held at 1413 Ninth Avenue, at 7:30 p. m.

Meetings for February:

Feb. 4—Joseph E. Robinson, former president of California Mission.
Feb. 11—Bishop Carl Kjar.
Feb. 18—Stake Missionaries.
Feb. 25—Bishop Claude M. Dewsnup, descriptive Bible history.

The Mutual officers and teachers held a delightful party in the Ninth Avenue hall on the evening of January 26. All who attended are looking forward to the next party.

Friends will be happy to learn of the improvement made by young Moss Fullenback, son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fullenback. He has been critically ill in the Mt. Zion Hospital.

The Junior Girls of Sunset Ward presented the play "Plains to Cross" at the Junior Festival February 2. Sunset Girls were present 100 per cent.

The Sunday School is fortunate in bringing Alma Wotherspoon into the superintendency as second counselor to Superintendent Peterson.

BERKELEY

The following Sunday night services are scheduled for the month of February:

February 4—M. I. A. Conjoint. R. Kendall Thomas will be the speaker, Kathryn Smith will give a reading, Jesse Farr will sing "The Flag Without a Stain," and the M. I. A. girls chorus will furnish two selections, "America the Beautiful" and "Sweet and Low."

February 11—Boy Scout program.

February 18—Ward Conference. There will be two sessions of conference—one at 10 a. m. and another at 7:30 p. m. Splendid programs have been arranged for both of these meetings.

February 25—Washington program. A well arranged program, honoring the birth date of George Washington, the Father of Our Country, has been chosen for this sacrament service.

Mr. William A. Moody has been called to Utah on account of the death of his brother, Milton Moody. Members of the ward sympathize with Mr. Moody in his bereavement.

Berkeley Ward Primary meetings are now being held on Saturday mornings at 10:30 at Vasa Hall. The change was made due to the fact that so many students were being detained at school until late hours on Tuesday afternoons. This was interfering with their Primary attendance. Sixty-five children attended the first Saturday meeting. Congratulations!

Mrs. George E. Russell *is in Alta* Bates Hospital where she recently was operated upon. Her many friends are wishing her a speedy recovery. Mrs. Russell is the literary leader in the Ward Relief Society.

Berkeley Ward was extremely fortunate on Thursday, February 1, in having Dr. Clifford Sweet, well known pediatrician, as its speaker at a special Relief Society meeting. Dr. Sweet's subject was "Feeding Problems of Children." Mrs. Laurence Timpson and Mrs. Francis Wilcox furnished musical selections. Mrs. Claude H. Adams was hostess for the afternoon. An unusually large group was in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pearson are newcomers in the ward. Mr. Pearson will attend the University of California this semester.

On January 2 an evening of drama was presented by the M. I. A. Three plays were given. "The Eldest" was given with the following cast: Alice Jones, Roy Minson, Merle Gleason, Russell Possan and Henry Kunter.

"Renting Jimmy" was presented by Roy Minson, Persis Berg, Helen Blair, Helen Scott, Dorothy Scott, Hattie Blair, Dorothy Williams and Alma Deane Ericksen.

"Goodnight" had as its cast Clair Edlefsen, Leon Baer, Kathryn Smith, and Cyrus Clark. Miss Kathryn Smith directed this play and the other two were directed by Mrs. Lo Von Eyring.

Following the plays dancing was enjoyed by a large group.

ALAMEDA

Miss Mary Shurtleff has returned home from an extended visit with her sister in Utah.

We extend a hearty welcome to the following new people: Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hanson and family from Salt Lake City and Brigham City, and Mr. and Mrs. Amos Robinson, from Stockton.

The Mutual conjoint meeting was made especially interesting by the fine musical numbers which consisted of two quartets by John and Jim Kay, Reed Chase and Jim Gaines, duets by Aura Kirk and Jim Gaines and by Fanny Bessie and James Sharp and a Scotch solo by Catherine Marsh.

The Missionary class conducted the meeting on January 20. Songs and inspirational talks were given by members of the class under the direction of Heber J. Brown.

Mr. W. E. Tolman of Logan, Utah, is visiting with his daughters, Mrs. Seavers, Mrs. Clayson and Mrs. Hughes.

The Stake Missionaries have been holding some very interesting and well attended cottage meetings. This very valuable work is under the guidance of Jacob Z. Richardson.

RICHMOND

Mrs. Joseph Crawford and two daughters of Portland, Ore., have been visiting at the Guigler homes in Richmond and El Cerrito. On Friday evening a dinner party was given in their honor at the *Abeo home.* There were *thirty-five friends* and relatives present. Mrs. Crawford has been a friend of the Guigler families for over thirty years.

Lester Roark of Callahan, Calif., visited for a few days at his parents' home on Bissell Avenue.

The M. I. A. is planning a Valentine party and basket social.

Rozella MacDonald is home from the hospital where she recently underwent a tonsilectomy.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Haddock and Donnie and Marjorie have returned from Mesa, Arizona.

Mrs. Ruby Larsen of Vallejo spent Sunday visiting her sister, Mrs. E. L. Bradeson.

Pearl Hart, who has spent the past month in Hercules, has returned to her home.

Charlotte Fawcett is back from Winters, where she was visitng for a couple of weeks.

Nina Fawcett, second counselor in Y. L. M. I. A., is spending a month in Lake County visiting at the home of her parents.

We were pleased to have Joseph Carruth speak at our Sacrament meeting.

The members of the Relief Society enjoyed themselves at a "quilting bee" at the Redmen Hall. A delicious luncheon was served those present.

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NEWS FROM THE WARDS

LIVERMORE

On account of the near completion of the Hetch-Hetchy water project in the Livermore territory, several of our members have moved away, due to which the Livermore Relief Society has been discontinued; also, the Sunday School meets now in various homes instead of at the Foresters Hall.

David Noakes and family of Livermore have moved to the Dimond Ward. Mr. Noakes and his family have been earnest and faithful workers in the Livermore Sunday School, and we hope they continue the good work in their new location. The same can be said of Eldon and Rada Atkinson of Livermore, who have moved to Salt Lake City.

HAYWARD

We wish to extend our sympathy to Mrs. Gladys Cox because of her continued illness, and hope that she will soon be definitely on the road to complete recovery.

Vera and Nelda Johnston and Herbert Welk attended a birthday party on the occasion of the nineteenth birthday of Ruth Graff of Tennyson, January 27.

Leonard J. Phister, first counselor to President Johnston, was sustained as president of the newly organized Third Quorum of Elders, at the recent conference at Oakland.

President C. E. Johnston and wife Sarah attended the Eagle Court of Honor and Pageant of the Boy Scouts, held at Scottish Rite Temple in Oakland on January 20.

Don Allphin, wife and family visited at the home of William A. Millet of Centerville on January 28.

Harold Andersen, who is employed at Selby, spent a week-end at the home of his aunt, Mrs. C. E. Johnston.

ELMHURST

Wm. A. Marchant has been chosen as leader of the Elmhurst High Priests group.

A birthday surprise party was given in honor of Mrs. Movell Day January 24. A host of friends gathered at the Day home to wish her many happy returns of the day.

Mrs. Calvin Gragun entertained in honor of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Refenacht of McCammon, Idaho, with a dinner, January 28. Mrs. Refenacht and daughter Fay have been visiting here for the past month.

Miss Faye Olleton of San Francisco recently returned from an extended European tour, was the featured speaker at the M. I. A. conjoint meeting. She gave a very interesting recital of her journeys through cities and countries of the continent.

A reorganization of the Missionary class in Sunday School is scheduled soon. A younger group will be called to this class.

T. Law was honored by a recent birthday surprise party at his home when friends quietly gathered. A joyous evening resulted.

Bennie Cragun and Junior Steed were recently ordained deacons.

The Elmhurst M. Men basketball team has given a good account of itself this year. With close scores, they edged out their opponents in four out of the five games played. Here's the scores: Jan. 3, Elmhurst 32, Dimond 28. Jan. 8, Elmhurst 31, Oakland 30. Jan. 10, Elmhurst 31, Alameda 24. Jan. 22, Elmhurst 16, Berkeley 14. Jan. 24, Elmhurst 22, Dimond 35.

Several games remain yet to be played. Good work, boys. Keep it up.

OAKLAND

There is much interest being taken in the Geneological meetings in Oakland Ward. The trip to Mesa seemed to stimulate enthusiasm in Temple work.

While in Arizona, Mary Jones was taken ill and since returning home is slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Haddock went to Safford, Ariozna, to visit his brother and old friends. On arriving he found his brother had moved away. However, he had a pleasant visit with his friends.

Mrs. Manton Moody entertained at a surprise party in honor of her husband's birthday anniversary. Ten of their friends were present. Light refreshments were served. Mr. Moody is on the Mutual Stake Board.

We are glad to welcome George Bagley, King Driggs and their families back to the Oakland Ward. It is the hope of everyone that they will be here permanently.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyrmel L. Hickman and baby were visiting with Mrs. Hickman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Bennet, over the holidays.

Mrs. Anna E. Darton is here from Globe, Arizona, visiting her son, Ray Darton, and family.

Babies blessed at the January Sacrament meeting: Karen Peirce Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nelson, and Nelda La Rae Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Price.

We have heard of girls waiting at the "altar" to be married when their intended didn't show up, but this time it was President Macdonald waiting for a couple and instead it was six married couples whom Sister Macdonald had invited. The occasion was his birthday. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

The M. Men and Gleaner Girls of the Oakland Ward gave a dancing party which was enjoyed by a large crowd. The hall was beautifully decorated by the Mutual officers to represent a basket ball court.

We are glad to welcome Henry Lofgran back to church. He has been in the hospital for several weeks.

A combined organ recital and dance is to be given on March 1 by Mabel Bowerbank and her pupils. The entertainment is free and every one is invited to attend.

A large group of young people gathered at the Carr home in Berkeley and surprised Fern Bagley and Stanley Carr. A very enjoyable time was had in games and singing. The party was well arranged by Edith Sharp and Beulah Watts.

A travelogue was presented open night in January by the M. I. A. Miss Marian Parker presented Alaska; Robert Sant, Honolulu; Elwin Bagley, South America, and Blaine Chadwick, Australia. It was an outstanding program for information and good music.

Open night, February 12, will be birthday night. A captain for each month will be appointed and all important items of every month will be focused upon.

Beatrice Woodbury has graduated from a hospital and returned to her home in Fresno.

Dr. George Smith went to Logan, Utah, to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Mary Ellen Smith, a Cache County pioneer. She also was the mother of Mrs. Mary Smith Jordan, Oakland Ward Y. L. M. I. A. president.

The Junior Girls gave the operetta "Cinderella" January 30. There were 18 girls in the cast, under the direction of Dorothy Stone, Mary Rex and Olenna Banks. It was well directed and well given.

BURLINGAME

In order to properly meet local conditions, the membership of the Burlingame Branch has voted to hold its Sacrament meetings at 11:30 a. m. on Sunday, which will enable many who heretofore came long distances to attend both Sunday School and Sacrament meeting more easily. In addition, our M. I. A. meetings have been changed from Monday to Sunday evening, and will now be held at our regular meeting place, Hoover Hall, Bayswater and Lorton Avenues, Burlingame. Stake Board members and appointed speakers kindly note this change.

We welcome to our midst O. W. Williams and wife and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Hatfield and family. More and more San Francisco Stake members are beginning to appreciate the many advantages of our beautiful "down the peninsula" country.

President Macdonald on January 7 stopped off at our branch and released Harold G. Schroder as member of the Branch Presidency—who has recently moved to Los Angeles—and to appoint in his place Carl R. Ohran. Mr. Ohran has some big shoes to fill, but from the splendid example of his father, Charles A. Ohran, we know what to expect.

Moroni Gerber, from Salt Lake City, is visiting his son and family in Burlingame. They were speakers in a recent Sacrament meeting.

Thursday evening, January 18, the Relief Society entertained at a novel cabaret party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Bentley on San Mateo Drive. The rooms were appropriately decorated with blue and gold streamers, and small candle-lit tables around the rooms provided atmosphere. Paul A. Peterson acted as master of ceremonies, and presented the entertainment, between dances, in the floor show manner. Thirty couples were present.

President and Mrs. Ernest Landward have returned from a short trip to Salt Lake City over New Year's, where they went to bid good-bye to Mr. Landward's young brother who left for a mission to Holland.

DIMOND

The Dimond basketball team is well on its way to becoming Stake champions again this year. So far they have won every game played by very creditable scores. Nearly half of the games are yet to be played, so come out and give these fine boys the support they deserve.

Friday, January 19, a very successful dancing party was held under the direction of the M. I. A. The guests of honor were Mr. and Mrs. Willard Clarke, who are leaving very soon for Kansas City, Mo., where they will make their home. During the evening several special features were given, and delicious refreshments were served.

Recent visitors to the city were Mr. and Mrs. Clement Hilton, who were on a honeymoon trip following their marriage in the Salt Lake Temple December 14. In their honor Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Hilton entertained at a delightful party.

January 23 Lorraine Williams and Florence Cornell were united in marriage by Bishop Lauper.

Honoring the seventieth birthday anniversary of Mrs. Emma Alexander a group of friends met January 22 at the home of Mrs. Sarah Olsen. A very pleasant afternoon was spent.

Sunday evening, January 28, the annual Ward Primary Conference was held, and a splendid program of music, dramatizations, and readings was given by the children of all ages. Sisters Wilson and Cherrington were released from office and La Von McKean, Edna Miller and Diana Keate were sustained as teachers and secretary. During the evening beautiful bouquets of flowers were presented to the presiding officers, Stake Board representatives and ward officers with long records of activity.

In the recent ward Gold and Green tango contest the winners were Blanche Daybell and Linford Pearce, Ruth Weindorf and Jack Thorpe.

The M. I. A. announces the organization of a new public speaking class under the direction of Miss Stewart, a teacher obtained from the Board of Education. A most interesting and instructive time is promised all those who wish to attend.

The deepest sympathy is extended to Herb Weiland and his family whose mother passed away January 16, after an illness of several months.

Mrs. Hulda Gibbs of Brigham City, Utah, is a visitor in Oakland and San Francisco, spending several weeks with her son, Lee Gibbs.

Mrs. E. E. Stevens is in Utah for several weeks, where she was called by the illness of her mother.

For having the highest points of any Sunday School in the Stake, Dimond last month brought home a fine new blackboard to be used in classroom instruction, the prize this year in place of the banner. Because of increased attendance in the kindergarten and primary classes it has become necessary to divide them, forming two new classes.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Madsen of Fairview, Utah, recently spent ten days at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Rex McKean.

Following the release of Joseph L. Brown, Jr., Kenneth Aymar has been sustained as scout master of Troop 77. Marshall Stoddard has been appointed as a committeeman. The troop is planning a sea trip to Paradise Cove on one of the sea scout boats.

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